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C O N F I D E N T I A L GEORGETOWN 2131

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SUBJ: GUYANA REFUSES PLO REQUEST FOR RESIDENT MISSION

REF: A. GEORGETOWN 2100 (NOTAL); B. GEORGETOWN 2092 (NOTAL);
C. MEXICO 11031; D. STATE 295073 (NOTAL)

1. DURING CONVERSATION DEC 17, GUYANA'S FONMIN FRED WILLS VOLUNTEERED THAT HE HAD, AFTER ALL, SOUGHT CABINET DECISION ON PLO REQUEST FOR RESIDENT MISSION IN GEORGETOWN (REFTELS A&B). HE SAID CABINET ACCEPTED HIS RECOMMENDATION THAT GOG REFUSE TO AGREE TO ANY FORM OF RESIDENT PLO MISSION. HE ADDED THAT HE HAD ESCHEWED IN HIS PRESENTATION SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS WE HAD ADVANCED AS ARGUMENT AGAINST PLO MISSION. WILLS SAID CABINET AGREED WITH HIS ARGUMENT THAT GOG ACCEPTANCE WOULD AMOUNT TO
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SUBSTANTIAL QUOTE FAVOR UNQUOTE TO ARAB BLOC AND ARAB

COUNTRIES HAVE DONE PRECIOUS LITTLE TO HELP GUYANA, SO WHY BECOME INVOLVED IN A MATTER WHICH HAS CONSIDERABLE POTENTIAL FOR CAUSING POLITICAL MISCHIEF.

2. I THANKED WILLS FOR PASSING ON THIS INFORMATION WHICH I SAID WOULD GIVE WELCOME RELIEF FROM CONCERN FELT BY EMBASSY AND WASHINGTON ON SECURITY GROUNDS. I THEN BRIEFED HIM ON STATUS OF PLO EFFORT TO INSTALL MISSION IN MEXICO (REFTEL C) AND ON STATEMENT IN REFTEL D TO EFFECT NO PLO LOCAL OFFICE OUTSIDE ARAB WORLD HAS BEEN EXTENDED DIPLOMATIC STATUS. WILLS REMARKED HOW STRANGE FOR PLO TO CLAIM PENURY IN MEXICO IN LIGHT OF BOUNTEOUS BACKING BY ARAB OIL MONEY FOR PLO OPERATIONS. ON MATTER OF DIPLOMATIC STATUS, WILLS SAID PLO DELEGATION OBVIOUSLY LIED TO HIM WHEN THEY CLAIMED DIPLOMATIC STATUS ACCORDED THEIR MISSION IN PARIS.
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